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1. INTERIM REPLY REF (1) FOLLOWS DUE ABSENCE KEY FRENCH
OFFICIAL DURING HOLIDAY SEASON.

2. LOCAL REPRESENTATIVE OF CODEX AND CODEX REGIONAL
OFFICE IN BRUSSELS (REYNOLDS) HAVE EXPRESSED SATISFACTION
WITH RATE OF PROGRESS OF PTT IN CONSIDERING APPROVAL OF
CODEX HIGH PERFORMANCE MODEMS. THEY STATE THAT THE
DOSSIER ON CODEX'S MODEM MEETING THE ITO'S V 29
SPECIFICATIONS HAS BEEN ACCEPTED BY THE PTT AND
HAS BEEN PASSED TO THE TECHNICAL REVIEW COMMISSION
(CNET) FOR EVALUATION. FURTHERMORE REYNOLDS STATED
IN TELECON TO EMBASSY COMMERCIAL OFFICER DECEMBER 27
THAT PTT HAS AUTHORIZED PROVISIONAL INSTALLATION
OF THESE CODEX HIGH PERFORMANCE MODEMS ON BOTH
INTERNATIONAL AND DOMESTIC DATA COMMUNICATIONS NETWORKS.

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3. EMBASSY DOES NOT WISH BY QUOTING LOCAL REPS
SATISFACTION WITH PROGRESS TO DATE TO GET THEM INTO
HOT WATER WITH THEIR HOME OFFICE BUT EMBASSY BELIEVES
THAT LOCAL REPS HAVE A BETTER FEEL FOR WHAT IS THE USUAL
RATE OF PROGRESS IN HANDLING APPLICATIONS. TOO MUCH
PRESSURE IN FRENCH AUTHORITIES TO "EXPEDITE" COULD
BE COUNTERPRODUCTIVE. UPON RETURN APPROPRIATE
FRENCH OFFICIAL EMBASSY PROPOSES TO MEET WITH HIM
TO DISCUSS STATUS OF CODEX'S APPLICATION.

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